

Family statement regarding Humboldt Broncos player Morgan Gobeil

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This statement is being released by Saskatchewan Health Authority on behalf of the family of Morgan Gobeil, who was injured in the Humboldt Broncos tragedy.

Nearly 11 months after the Humboldt Broncos tragedy, Morgan is finally being released from the hospital! We are incredibly proud of the progress he has made – 333 days of extremely hard work! He has endured many medical procedures and hours upon hours of physical, occupational, and speech therapy. During his time at the hospital, Morgan has celebrated his high school graduation, his brother's wedding, his 19th birthday, several holidays and he has witnessed the change of all four seasons. While Morgan has not regained his speech or his ability to walk yet, we remain hopeful that those will be the kind of milestones we will someday be able to celebrate.

We are thankful for the incredible team that has helped him in his recovery. To the wonderful doctors, nurses and support staff that work on the Rehabilitation Unit, thank you. The care, compassion, and attention you gave to Morgan is second to none. To Morgan's therapy team -- there are not words enough to express our appreciation for your dedication and commitment. Not only did you continually find ways to engage our son in relearning the many tasks of everyday living, you taught us a thing or two along the way so that we can continue to help Morgan. You are a talented bunch!

We are forever grateful to our family, friends, neighbours, Morgan's teammates and their families, and our community for the continued and overwhelming support we have received. The messages, phone calls, visits, meals, gifts, but most importantly your prayers, have truly carried us through.

Morgan now begins the next phase of his journey. He will have the privilege of working as an outpatient with an excellent therapy team at Saskatoon City Hospital. We are also building a new team of therapists within Saskatoon to work with Morgan, and we look forward to what they will contribute to his recovery.

The road is long and challenging, but we are confident Morgan's work ethic and determination will be the cornerstone of his recovery!

With heartfelt thanks,

The Gobeils

Media: Morgan's family asks for your continued respect of his privacy and that you not contact his family or friends for information on his continued recovery or for interviews. Media will be contacted if the family has any additional update. Until that time, please consider this the family's latest official media statement.



Morgan Gobeil with the "Believe" sign Humboldt Broncos Assistant Coach Chris Beaudry brought to the hospital in Saskatoon just days after the accident. The sign stayed at the hospital until the last boy—Morgan—came home, just as Beaudry intended.